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(8)	Kerala	02
(9)	Madhya Pradesh	03
(10)	Maharashtra	21
(11)	Orissa	02
(12)	Puducherry	01
(13)	Punjab	03
(14)	Rajasthan	08
(15)	Tamil Nadu	29
(16)	Uttarakhand	04
(17)	Uttar Pradesh	10
(18)	West Bengal	01
(19)	New Delhi	11

(b) The criteria for granting status of 'deemed to be university' to eligible institutions have been laid down in the "Guidelines for Considering Proposals for Declaring An Institution As Deemed To Be University Under Section 3 Of The UGC Act" are available on UGC's website at *www.ugc.ac.in/financial support/guidelines.html*. In broad terms, to become eligible for status of 'Deemed to be University', an institution should be academically and financially sound, should have good infrastructure, should have been in existence for more than 10 years and should be engaged in teaching and research of high standards.

(c) and (d) As per section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, the Central Government may, on the advice of the Commission, declare by notification in the Official Gazette that any institution for higher education, *other than a university*, shall be 'deemed to be a university' for the purposes of this Act. Accordingly, the question of receipt of proposals for grant of status of deemed university, from universities in Madhya Pradesh, does not arise.

(e) Institutions are declared as 'Deemed to be Universities' only if they fulfil the eligibility and other conditions prescribed under the said guidelines of the UGC. However, relaxation related to requirement of infrastructural facilities, etc. is available only to certain applicant institutions categorized under the de *novo* category that is, those in the emerging areas of knowledge with the promise of excellence.

Audit of Kendriya Vidyalaya expenditure

1907. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds given to Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 1, Air Force Station, Agra, for various purposes, during financial years 2007-08 and 2008-09;

(b) whether any audit has been conducted of the expenditures by this school during these financial years;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any misappropriation of the funds have come to notice;

(e) whether Government is aware of the misuse of funds in the purchases and other expenditures during these financial years in this school; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Amounts of Rs. 143.20 lakh and Rs. 236.60 lakh were released to Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 1, Air Force Station, Agra during the financial years 2007-08 and 2008-09 respectively.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Internal audit of K.V. No. 1, AFS, Agra was conducted for the period from 01/01/2007 to 31/08/2008. No misappropriation of funds has been reported in the above said audit report.

(e) and (f) A complaint has been received regarding financial irregularities done by the Principal and it is under examination with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

Benefit of SSA to depressed Muslims

1908. DR. EJAZ ALI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is able to achieve the desired results, as promised at the time of launch of the so called programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof highlighting the statistics of its reach to the depressed Muslim class; and

(c) what steps the present Government intends to take in case the depressed Muslims class has not benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has made significant progress in its overall goals of universal access and retention, bridging of gender and social category gaps in education, and enhancing learning levels.

SSA provides for the following targeted interventions in order to reach Muslim children:-

- Focus on provision of schools in Muslim Minority Concentration districts.
- Support Madarsas and Maktabs by providing EGS/AIE facility for regular curriculum transaction.